COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES



AUSTIN AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMISSION MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11,2011

The Austin Airport Advisory Commission convened in a regular meeting on Tuesday, October 11, 2011 at 2716 Spirit of Texas Drive, in Room 160 in Austin, Texas.

Chair Dale Murphy called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

Commission Members in Attendance:

Dale Murphy, Chair Steven Hart, Vice Chair D'Ann Johnson, Secretary

George Farris James Kelsey Ernest Saulmon

Mark Segaloff

Staff in Attendance:

Shane Harbinson, Denise Hatch, Robert Hengst, Jason Zielinski, Jim Halbrook, Dave Arthur, Kellye Mireles

Others Present:

Chris Coons, RW Armstrong
Ethan Garofolo
Kris Bailey, E.C.A.
Laura Pressley
Claire Hirschkind
Travis Snarely

Jenn Studabaker, Austin Post Gianmarco Conegliano

Taylor Metting Clay Dafoe

Vince May Ronnie Reeferseed

Lynn Foster John Burton
John Bush Dustin Mcdonald

Heather Fazio, Texans for Acct Govt

Carly Rose Jackson, We Texans

Norman Horn, StopAustinScanners.org Cyrenthia Elles, CMD

Craig Regin

1. CITIZENS COMMUNICATIONS: GENERAL

The following citizens spoke at this time concerning the Advance Imaging Technology that is planned on being installed at ABIA at the end of October. Each speaker was given three minutes to talk.

Ethan Garofolo Claire Hirschkind Kris Bailey, E.C.A. Travis Snarely

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Dr. Laura Pressley

Norman Horn, StopAustinScanners.org Craig Regin

Chair Dale Murphy skipped to Item 3 b) to discuss while citizens were present.

3 b) Advance Imaging Technology Update. Assistant Director, Shane Harbinson gave a briefing on TSA deployment of Advance Image Technology at ABIA. TSA advised that they will be installing four machines – two at checkpoint one and two at checkpoint two. There will be an AIT installed at checkpoint three at a later date. The primary device for passenger screening will be the AIT and the secondary device will be the metal detector. The new L3 millimeter technology machine software that automates the target recognition system will have a standard character figure - not a individual body imaging - so some of the concerns that were brought up will hopefully be mitigated with the fact that the imaging will be a character figure and the machine will be a millimeter wave, and not the back scatter machine. The primary machines that will be used for the screening will be the AIT machines unless there is a long queue – then the next person will be directed to go through the metal detector. If they don't set off the metal detector they pass through - there is no pat down. If they opt out of the AIT and go through the metal detector then there will be a pat down. The character figure on the AIT machine will be the same standard outline for each person and the machine will highlight the area on the character as a possible threat, and that highlighted area will be patted down by TSA. The machines should be arriving by the end of October.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the meeting of September 13, 2011 were approved on Steven Hart's motion, George Farris' second on a 7-0 vote.

3. STAFF BRIEFING, REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

- a) Planning & Engineering Capital Improvement Project Status Report Presentation was presented by Shane Harbinson, Assistant Director, Aviation Department. Shane Harbinson hit the highlights on several Planning & Engineering projects. Terminal improvements are ongoing the restrooms are being updated. Currently at checkpoint number one they are replacing a roll up door. Upon completion in the next two weeks they will move on to checkpoint number two. The employee parking lot is in the design phase. At this time the new employee lot will contain 1500+/- spaces. Design will take nine months and then permitting will be another three months. Construction will then be about a year. The Remain Overnight Apron expansion project is about halfway through construction. It is anticipated that large aircraft will be able to park there by next summer. The Cargo apron parking lot is converting some of the cargo apron to surface parking during the holiday season the fence line and barriers have been installed and pavement has been restriped and should be operational before the Thanksgiving holiday.
- c) Finance & Operations Reports Presentation was presented by Dave Arthur, Assistant Director, Aviation Department. August is consistent with the rest of the year Enplanements are up 6% over last year. Airline revenue is under budget 3% and up 6% over last year. Non-airline revenue is up 9% over last year. Parking is up 10% over last year. Expenses are 7% under budget. Debt services are 17% under budget. Surplus is 26% over last year.
- d) GTSA Transactions Report Presentation was presented by Shane Harbinson, Assistant Director, Aviation Department.

Shane Harbinson discussed the GTSA Transactions for September 2011. See below for a year-to-year comparison.

YEAR TO YEAR COMPARISON			
SERVICE	SEPTEMBER 2011	SEPTEMBER 2010	% Increase/decrease
CATEGORY			
TAXICAB	30,139	26,039	15.7%
LIMOUSINE	2,261	2,159	4.7%
HOTEL SHUTTLE	2,835	2,916	(2.8%)
OTHER SHUTTLE	420	282	(48.9%)
CHARTER BUS	38	9	322.2%
OVERALL TOTAL	35,693	31,405	13.7%

e) Briefing on the Opening of the Ground Transportation Staging Area was presented by Shane Harbinson, Assistant Director, Aviation Department. The GTSA is substantially complete and operational. The AVI (Airport Vehicle Identification) tag system is new technology for ABIA and some installation issues still needs to be worked out. November 9th at 10:30 am is the grand opening. An invitation will be sent out two weeks before. Food, beverages, live music and a ribbon cutting will be included.

4. ABIA Action Items

a) Election of Officers.

The motion to nominate Dale Murphy as Chair was approved on Secretary D'Ann Johnson's motion, Vice Chair Steven Hart's second on a 6-0-1 vote. The motion to nominate Steven Hart as Vice Chair was approved on Chair Dale Murphy's motion, Secretary D'Ann Johnson's second on a 6-0-1 vote. The motion to nominate D'Ann Johnson as Secretary was approved on Chair Dale Murphy's motion, Vice Chair Steven Hart's second on a 6-0-1 vote.

b) Approve a resolution authorizing **ACCEPTANCE OF GRANTS** from the Federal Aviation Administration, the Transportation Security Administration, and other agencies of the United States Government in an amount not to exceed \$30,000,000 to the City of Austin, Department of Aviation, for Austin-Bergstrom International Airport for Fiscal Year 2011-2012. **The motion to approve action item 4b) and make a friendly amendment was approved on Vice Chair Steven Hart's motion, James Kelsey's second on a 7-0 vote. The action item will read as follows:** Approve a resolution authorizing **ACCEPTANCE OF GRANTS** from the Federal Aviation Administration, the **Department of Homeland Security**, and other agencies of the United States Government in an amount not to exceed \$30,000,000 to the City of Austin, Department of Aviation, for Austin-Bergstrom International Airport for Fiscal Year 2011-2012.

5. NEW BUSINESS

a) CONRAC Project Update was presented by Shane Harbinson, Assistant Director, Aviation Department. Geotechnical work continues in Lot A. Letter of intent for the design phase of the project was sent out to the Car Rental Companies for their response.

6. OLD BUSINESS (updates)

a) Status of action items upon which the Commission has made a recommendation to Council. (*Please note the progress of the following items*)

Approval of 2012 Proposed Operating Budget. [Item went before City Council on September 12, 2011 and passed.]

Authorize execution of a construction contract with **EAS CONTRACTING, L.P.,** Carrollton, TX, for Airfield Lighting Control and Monitoring System (ALCMS) Upgrade in the amount of \$631,690 plus a \$63,169 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$694,859. *[Item went before City Council on September 22, 2011 and passed.]*

Authorize execution of a construction contract with **JD RAMMING PAVING CO**, **LTD**., Austin, Texas for the ABIA General Aviation Apron Maintenance 2011 in an amount not to exceed \$374,090.45. [Item scheduled to go before City Council on October 20, 2011.]

- b) Properties Lease Agreements Working on amendment to the United Airlines lease since they are shifting some space due to the consolidation with Continental.
- c) General Aviation ongoing feasibility work is being done with Jet Black Aviation and Ascend.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

8. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Steven Hart, Ernest Saulmon's second on a 7-0 vote. Meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Date of next meeting: November 8, 2011

